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**LAS VEGAS METH TRAFFICKER AND PORN STAR
SENTENCED TO 30 YEARS FOR METH AND MONEY
LAUNDERING CONSPIRACY**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that JES A. CRISTE, also known as "UNCLE JES", 60, of Las Vegas, Nevada, was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge John D. Tinder following his plea of guilty to Conspiracy to Possess With Intent To Distribute and/or Distribute 50 Grams or More of Methamphetamine and Conspiracy to Launder Drug Proceeds. These charges arose out an investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Internal Revenue Service, and the Beech Grove Police Department.

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The evidence at the plea hearing showed that CRISTE, an actor and producer of pornographic movies produced in Nevada and California, was the source of supply for over fifty pounds of methamphetamine that was shipped from Las Vegas Nevada to Indianapolis, Indiana between January of 2001 and June of 2003. The methamphetamine that CRISTE sent to Indiana was destined for Indianapolis resident Gerald TOON. TOON was sentenced to 168 months (14 years) imprisonment for his role in the conspiracy on September 16, 2004.

Additionally, an extensive financial investigation revealed that TOON was sending payment to CRISTE for methamphetamine in the form of checks, money orders, and cashier's checks. Subpoenas issued on accounts tied to CRISTE at various financial institutions in Nevada showed that CRISTE made deposits in his personal account that totaled in excess of \$123,510.00 that TOON and others sent him as payment for methamphetamine. Moreover, eight checks that were stolen from the Indianapolis Public School system were found as having been deposited in CRISTE'S corporate account for Adults Las Vegas (ALV), CRISTE'S pornography business.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Barry D. Glickman, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Tinder also imposed a period of supervised release of ten years after CRISTE'S imprisonment.

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